

MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
General Session
September 11, 2009
Boise, Idaho

President Newal Squyres called the General Session of the business meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Idaho State Bar to order at 8:35 a.m. at the Doubletree Club Hotel in Boise, Idaho. In addition to President Squyres, in attendance for the meeting were Commissioners Doug Mushlitz, James Meservy, Deborah Ferguson, and Reed Larsen, Bar Counsel Brad Andrews, Deputy Executive Director Terri Muse and Executive Director Diane Minnich, who acted as the secretary.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2009 meeting as submitted.

GOVERNANCE AND REGULATORY SERVICES

TRANSFER FROM AFFILIATE TO ACTIVE STATUS

Robert Kannapien – The Commission considered a request from Robert Kannapien to transfer from affiliate status. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve his request with the following conditions: that he take the MPT and MPRE (if not already completed), sixty (60) hours of CLE credits – including Practical Skills – in non real estate courses, with no less than 2/3 of the credits to be earned at live programs, including 4 ethics credits. Once Mr. Kannapien has completed the conditions, he will be eligible for reinstatement to active status.

RESOLUTION PROCESS - The Commission reviewed the schedule for the 2009 resolution meetings. The Commissioners discussed the agenda for the law school visit and requested that the casual event with the students be scheduled once again.

Resolutions: Admission Rules – It was moved, seconded and passed to submit the proposed revisions to the admission rules to the 2009 resolution process.

Amendments to IRPC 1.0, 1.10, and 3.8 were approved by the Commission for submission to the 2009 resolution process.

License fee increase – The Commission previously approved the submission of a resolution requesting a license fee increase. The Commission discussed what information to include in the discussion part of the resolution.

ABA STATE BAR DELEGATE

The Commission discussed the selection of the new ABA State Bar Delegate. The Executive Director reported that Craig Meadows, the interim State Bar Delegate, is willing to continue; however, Craig encouraged the Commission to seek other candidates. The Commission agreed to advertise for the position of ABA state bar delegate before appointing a delegate.

BOC COMMITTEE AND SECTION LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

The Commission was provided with the proposed BOC liaison assignments to sections and committees. The Commission approved the assignments as modified.

DISTRICT BAR ASSOCIATION BUDGETS

The Commission was provided with the District Bar Association budgets for the 2009-2010 year.

MALPRACTICE INSURANCE NOTIFICATION

The Commission was provided with information about a new California rule that requires attorneys to inform clients about uninsured status.

IDAHO SUPREME COURT

The Commission was provided with the Supreme Court Oral Conference minutes for July and August 2009.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS - The Commission was provided with membership statistics as of June 2, 2009 (5,248 members).

ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT

2009 JULY AND AUGUST FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Commission was provided with the July 30 and August 31, 2009 financial reports. At the end of August, 94.3% of the income was collected and 67.8 of the expenses incurred.

ISB/ILF LEASE AGREEMENT

Commissioner Mushlitz reported that he and Diane met with ILF President Chuck Homer on Friday, July 10 to discuss renegotiating the lease. President Homer agreed to draft a new lease agreement for review by the Commission.

MEMBER SERVICES

Diversity Section Proposal – The Commission had a preliminary discussion of the Diversity Section proposal to hold conference on the 220th Anniversary of the Bill Rights. The Commission agreed to invite representatives of the Diversity Section to the October meeting to discuss the proposal.

Section Funding Policies – The Commission reviewed the proposed section funding policy. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the Section Funding Policy. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the Section Responsibilities and Guidelines as amended.

LRS Statistics –The Commission was provided with the August 2009 LRS statistics.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

After an aye vote was recorded from each Commissioner, the Commission moved into Executive Session at 11:40 a.m. The Executive Session concluded at 12:20 p.m.

There being no further business, the General Session adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Diane K Minnich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Diane" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Minnich".

Diane K. Minnich
Executive Director